ne. In to ight Heart

Finding the girl behind the voice.

Y-YES!

WE'D LIKE TO DO THAT FOR OUR NOON BROADCAST!

SHINOBU UZUKI
ASPIRING ANNOUNCER

Tune In to the Midnight Heart

IKO KIRINO
ASPIRING VTUBER

THE SCHOOL DOESN'T ALLOW RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN BOYS AND GIRLS, RIGHT? ON PAPER, AT LEAST.

WE FIGURED WE'D BE IN TROUBLE IF THE TEACHERS FOUND OUT.

NENE HIMEKAWA
ASPIRING VOICE ACTRESS

BUT IT'S NOT LIKE THEY'RE SERIOUS ABOUT ENFORCING THAT RULE...

SO, THERE'S NOT REALLY AN ISSUE WITH US DOING THIS, IS THERE?

RIKKA INOHANA
ASPIRING SINGER

HUH...

BROADCASTING CLUB'S ADVISER
LEMON ANDO (27)

A CONFES-SION SERVICE?

OH, COME ON! I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT!

THIS IS A PAIN IN THE ASS, SO NO.

MY GOAL...

IS TO LEAVE THIS MORTAL COIL WITHOUT MAKING ANY WAVES.

WHY ON EARTH DID YOU EVEN BECOME A TEACHER?

RIK-KA

JEEZ, LEMON-CHAN! DO YOU LOVE THE STATUS QUO SO MUCH THAT YOU REFUSE TO ROCK THE BOAT?!

MY BOSSES ARE GONNA GIVE ME HELL, SO NO.

CLACK

WHILE IT MIGHT BE PRESUMP-TUOUS OF ME...

...PLEASE ALLOW ME TO EXPLAIN HOW THIS CONFESSION SERVICE WILL BENEFIT YOU.

ANDO-SENSEI.

IT'S AN HONOR TO FINALLY MEET YOU.

GRIN

WHAAAAAT?!

YOU'RE ANNOYING, SO I'M KICKING YOU OUT.

PLEASE, LEMON-CHAN!

I REALLY WANT TO DO THIS!

WOOSH

ALL THEY THINK ABOUT IS BEING POPULAR, SO THEY ALWAYS ACT LIKE THEY'RE HOT SHIT.

THIS IS WHY I WAS AGAINST HAVING BOYS IN THE CLUB.

To hell with them.

WH-WHAT A TYRANT!

SST

WHY ON EARTH DID YOU EVEN BECOME A TEACHER?

IT'S A PAIN IN THE ASS AND ALL.

THE ANSWER IS STILL NO, THOUGH.

IT'S NOT VERY OFTEN THAT I SEE YOU PURSUE SOMETHING WITH SUCH TENACITY, UZUKI.

YEAH...

...BUT EVERYTHING'S BEEN PERFECT SO FAR THIS YEAR, RIGHT?

YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO GAIN FROM THIS, TOO, LEMON-CHAN!

THE BROADCASTING CLUB HAD BEEN IN BAD SHAPE ALL THIS TIME...

...THAT YOUR APPROVAL RATINGS IN THIS SCHOOL HAVE BEEN SOARING?

BY THE WAY, ARE YOU AWARE...

IF YOU CAN MAKE THIS SURPRISE EVENT A HIT...

...YOUR STOCK AS A TEACHER WILL GO THROUGH THE ROOF!

...BUT THE VIEW FROM THE TOP OF THE WORLD IS REALLY GREAT, YOU KNOW?

Why are you the one getting the final word on this?

CLACK

A PEACEFUL LIFE IS NICE AND ALL...

WHAT A SELF-SERVING TEACHER!

WHAT ARE YOU ALL STANDING AROUND FOR?

WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO.

SIGH

CREAK

WE CAN HAND OUT THE FLIERS IN SECRET THERE.

EVERYONE'S GOING TO BE IN THE FIELD FOR LUNCH.

SO, WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO FIRST?

THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE, I'M AFRAID.

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TAKE A LOOK.

HUH?

HE'S SUPERVISING THE STUDENTS DURING LUNCH.

WHAAAT?!

HEY! YOU ALL SNAILS OR SOMETHING?! DON'T JUST RUN! DASH!

WHITE TEAM, I'M GONNA TAKE SOME POINTS OFF!

OH HELL, IT'S SAMEJIMA THE P.E. TEACHER...

CRACKLE

WHY DON'T WE USE THE GROUP CHAT?

WHAT NOW? IF WE CAN'T ADVERTISE IT, NO ONE IS GONNA COME...

FWISH

JUST TRY AND HAND OUT THOSE FLIERS IN FRONT OF HIM.

YOU'LL BECOME DAMAGED GOODS IN A SECOND!

WHAT, IS HE SOME KIND OF HORN-DOG?

HEY.

WE WON'T BE able TO REACH STUDENTS IN OTHER GRADES THAT WAY...

Hmmm...

I CAN BUY YOU TEN MIN-UTES AT MOST.

JUST USE THAT TIME TO HAND THE FLIERS OUT.

TH-THANK YOU, LEMON-CHAN!

Heh heh heh.

WHAT DO YOU THINK I'M HERE FOR?

I'LL DISTRACT SAMEJIMA.

TO SLACK OFF, OBVIOUSLY.

DASH

DON'T ATTACH YOUR NAME TO OUR PROJECT.

DON'T JUST MAKE YOURSELF THE LEADER.

QUICKLY NOW!

LET'S GET "OPERATION LEMON" STARTED!!

IF YOU BREAK THIS RULE AND I FIND OUT ABOUT IT, YOU'LL BE WRITING AN APOLOGY LETTER ON THE SPOT!

CRACKLE

LISTEN UP! YOU NEED TO STICK WITH YOUR OWN CLASS FOR LUNCH!

BETTER PREPARE YOUR-SELVES...

NOTHING CAN ESCAPE MY EYES!

SAME-JIMA-SENSEI.

HIS PECS ARE GROSS...

SO ANNOY-ING...

ALSO, YOU CAN'T EAT WITH PEOPLE FROM THE OPPOSITE SEX!

IN FACT, DON'T GET INTO ANY RELATION-SHIPS WITH THEM UNTIL YOU'VE TURNED 20!

WHY DON'T WE TAKE...

...A LITTLE...

...BREAK?

SMILE にっこり

YOU'RE WORKING HARD, I SEE.

WHY DON'T WE TEACHERS TAKE A LITTLE BREAK?

I'M ON SUPERVISION DUTY...

B-BUT...

WINK ばちが あ

GRIN

TWIRL

FWISH

ALL RIGHT. WE CAN REST UNDER A TREE.

LET'S TAKE A BREAK UNTIL THE NEXT CENTURY OR SO!

MURMUR

CHATTER

WE'RE DOING AN EVENT DURING THE LUNCH BREAK!

WE'RE THE BROAD-CASTING CLUB!

FEEL FREE TO TAKE PART IN IT!

MURMUR

CHATTER

CHATTER

NOW! HAND THE FLIERS OUT!

DASH

SHE REALLY SUCKS AT WINKING.

DON'T BE SO LOUD ABOUT IT!

WHOA! I GOT A FLIER FROM HIME-KAWA-SAN!

THAT SOUNDS FUN!

KIRINO-SENPAI, LET ME SHAKE HANDS WITH YOU!

CHATTER

CHATTER

CHATTER

WHAT IS IT?

WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THAT.

HOW ABOUT WE MAKE A GIANT SIGN?

AND IF WE'RE TOO LOUD, SAMEJIMA-SENSEI WILL NOTICE...

THERE'S JUST WAY TOO MANY PEOPLE!

OH!

IF WE WANT TO GRAB THE STUDENTS' ATTEN-TION...

TMP
TMP
LISTEN! I'VE GOT AN AWESOME IDEA!
WELL...
WHAT IS IT?
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
DASH
GET LOST, GOFER BOY!
GATHER AROUND, BROADCASTING CLUB MEMBERS!
WELL. I'M AGAINST IT!
I DON'T MIND.
ISN'T IT A FUN IDEA?
YEAH, KNOWING NENE-CHAN, SHE'D HAVE THEM ON HAND FOR SURE.
N-
NO!
UGH...
JUST DO IT, RIKKA!
SHINOBU CAME UP WITH THIS EVENT FOR US, YOU KNOW? DO IT FOR HER!
WHOA, WHAT'S GOING ON?!
CHATTER
HUH?! LOOK OVER THERE!
CHATTER
CHATTER

D-DO COME CHECK IT OUT..
WE'RE HOSTING AN EVENT! YOU CAN'LL PARTICIPATE IN AT-NOON!
WE'RE THE BROADCAST-ING CLUB!

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WHAT'S THAT ALL ABOUT? LET'S GO CHECK IT OUT!

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SQUEE

WOW! RIKKA-CHAN IS SUPER CUTE!

UZUKI-SAN IS ADORBS!!!

SQUEE

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SQUEE

SHINOBU... TREAT ME TO SOME CAKE LATER.

MY ARMS ARE COLD...

I-IT'S KIND OF EMBARRASSING, THOUGH...

IT'S A GOOD THING I LEFT MY COSPLAY COSTUMES AT SCHOOL!

Y-YAMA-BUKI!!

I GUESS A GOFER LIKE ME WOULDN'T BE NEEDED.

I SEE. THIS IS QUITE THE EXTRA-ORDINARY FEAT...

HMM?

THUD THUD THUD THUD

Ha ha ha ha ha! You sure can run fast!

I CAN'T DO THIS ANYMORE! THIS OPERATION IS OVER!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, YAMA-BUKI?!

UH, UM...

WHY'D YOU BRING HIM WITH YOU?!

FLINCH

HEY, WHO ARE YOU?!!

HUH?! WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THAT CROWD?!

HEY, GET BACK HERE! WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?!

DASH

RUN FOR IT!

BUT WE SHOULD BE ALL SET NOW!

WE JUST NEED TO PRAY THAT PEOPLE WHO WANT TO CONFESS WILL COME TO US!

I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS EVER AGAIN...

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THAT WAS BONE-CHILLING.

I LOST MY POM-POMS...

PHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE.

PANT はあ

PANT はあ

VISITOR

VISITOR

FOR PRIVACY'S SAKE, WE'LL PREPARE A DARK ROOM WHERE YOU CAN'T SEE ANYONE'S FACE.

LET'S ASSIST THE VISITORS THE BEST WE CAN, WHILE ALSO PRESERVING ANONYMITY.

WE'LL ALSO BE WAITING IN THERE.

WHY DON'T WE GET READY FOR THE EVENT, THEN?

RIGHT.

HUG

OKAY, THEN.

WE'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU.

ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO LISTEN TO THE CONFESSIONS AND THEN BROADCAST THEM ON YOUR OWN?

YEAH. I WANT TO DO THIS!

WE'LL SHOW EVERY-ONE THAT THE BROADCASTING CLUB IS IN TOP FORM THIS YEAR!

ALL RIGHT! LET'S DO THIS, GIRLS!

YEAAAAAH!!

UGH, I'M ACTUALLY GETTING NERVOUS NOW...

I LET MY ENTHUSIASM TAKE OVER, AND NOW, HERE I AM...

TUNK

EMPTY

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KNOCK KNOCK

BUT IF I CAN'T EVEN DO THIS, THEN I WON'T BE ABLE TO-

ISN'T IT WAY TOO SOON?!

NO WAY! WE HAVE A VISITOR ALREADY?!

SST

YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND CON-FESS.

OKAY...

BUT I WON'T LOOK AT YOUR FACE, SO DON'T WORRY!

THE DOOR IS SLIGHTLY OPEN...

I'LL BE RIGHT THERE!

IF YOU FLUB, YOU'LL HAVE TO PLAY A PENALTY GAME.

HUFFF

H-

YOU NEED TO STAY CALM, OKAY?!

WHO DO YOU THINK IT WAS?

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FWSH

AH HA HA!

I SWEAR... WHO WAS THAT?

すたこらー SKEDADDLE

HEY! DON'T PRANK ME LIKE THAT!

BWAM

YES, BUT...

IT WAS OVER A STRING TELE-PHONE, SO...

WERE YOU ABLE TO HEAR IT?

CHAPTER 12: I CAN'T TELL WHOSE VOICE IT WAS